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Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Basic programme of work of the Council

Draft proposals submitted by the President of the Council and members of the Bureau on the basis of informal consultations held pursuant to paragraph 2 (l) of Council decision 1988/77

Draft decision I
Proposed date of the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

The Economic and Social Council, recalling its resolution 2009/30 of 31 July 2009, decides that its special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development will be held at Headquarters on ___ March 2011.

Draft decision II
Provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2011 of the Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council, having considered the proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 2011 and 2012,[1] approves the provisional agenda for its substantive session of 2011.[2]

[1] E/2011/1.
[2] Ibid., sect. I.

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Draft decision III
Basic programme of work of the Economic and Social Council for 2012

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the list of questions for inclusion in the programme of work of the Council for 2012.[3]

Draft decision IV
Working arrangements for the substantive session of 2011 of the Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council decides on the following working arrangements for its substantive session of 2011:

(a) The high-level segment will be held from Monday, 4 July, through the morning of Friday, 8 July;

(b) The dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions will be held in the afternoon of Friday, 8 July;

(c) The coordination segment will be held from Monday, 11 July, through the morning of Thursday, 14 July;

(d) The operational activities segment will be held from the afternoon of Thursday, 14 July, through Monday, 18 July;

(e) The informal joint event of the operational activities and humanitarian affairs segments on the issue of the transition from relief to development[4] will be held in the morning of Tuesday, 19 July;

(f) The humanitarian affairs segment will be held from the afternoon of Tuesday, 19 July, through Thursday, 21 July;

(g) The general segment will be held from Friday, 22 July, through Thursday, 28 July;

(h) The work of the 2011 substantive session of the Council will conclude on Friday, 29 July.

Draft decision V
Operational activities segment of the 2011 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council decides that the work of the operational activities segment of its substantive session of 2011 should be devoted to the progress on and implementation of General Assembly resolutions 62/208 and relevant follow-up resolutions of the General Assembly and the Economic and

[3] Ibid., sect. II.

[4] General Assembly resolution 58/114, para. 6.

Social Council[5] on the operational activities for development of the United Nations system.

Draft decision VI
Theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2011 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council

[*to be completed*]

Draft decision VII
Theme for the item on regional cooperation of the 2011 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council

[*to be completed*][6]

Draft decision VIII
Economic and Social Council event to discuss the issue of the transition from relief to development

[*to be completed*][7]

[5] General Assembly resolutions 63/232, 64/220 and 65/177, and Economic and Social Council resolutions 2008/2, 2009/1 and 2010/22.

[6] In 2010, the Council decided that the theme for the item on regional cooperation of its 2010 substantive session would be "Gender equality and empowerment of women in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals: regional perspectives" (decision 2010/207).

[7] Informal joint event of the operational activities and humanitarian affairs segments on the issue of the transition from relief to development (General Assembly resolution 58/114, para. 6).